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The Tennessee Human Rights Commission to Host 2005 Employment Seminar

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee Human Rights Commission (THRC), a state agency charged with investigating complaints of discrimination in housing, employment, and public accommodation, will be hosting an employment seminar on October 4, 2005, from 7:45 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. at the Willis Conference Center in Nashville.

The THRC's 2005 Employment Law Seminar promises to be this year's best. Top employment law experts will bring registrants up-to-date with practical discussions about the latest changes in employment law.

This seminar offers two tracks. Track I addresses legal topics, exploring recent changes in employment law and Supreme Court decisions and how they affect the employee and employer. Track II focuses on the application of the law and implementing effective workplace policies and procedures. Registrants are free to participate in classes from either track. In these highly interactive sessions lead by veteran employment law attorneys, human resource professionals, and civil rights

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activists, registrants will learn about new cases and laws that have made the greatest impact on employment in the past year.

Percy Julian, Jr., an attorney, mediator, and arbitrator, will serve as the keynote speaker. He is a graduate of Oberlin College and the University of Wisconsin Law School. For more than thirty-seven years, his litigation, mediation, and arbitration, and dispute resolution training and consulting practice has been centered in the area of complex civil rights, employment, and education matters.

“My staff and I have put a lot of work into planning this seminar. We wanted to ensure that the participants walk away from the seminar feeling that they have received valueable information that will prevent them from making costly mistakes,” said Amber Gooding, THRC’s executive director. “Our role is to enforce the state’s anti-discrimination law and to educate Tennessee’s employers and citizens on the prohibitions.”

For more information about the seminar or to register, visit the agency’s website at www.state.tn/humanrights or call Diyonne Williams at 741-1639.